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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL --Howard Graves, a 29-year veteran with the Associated Press and national president of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, will speak at Eastern Illinois University on Tuesday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. in Coleman Hall Auditorium.

Graves, a native of Robinson in Crawford County, will discuss "The First Amendment Does Not Belong To The Press." His appearance is sponsored by the Department of Journalism in observance of "1981 Journalism Day."

Graves, the AP Oregon bureau chief with headquarters in Portland, will be a guest at a luncheon sponsored by the Coles County Times-Courier and the Mattoon Journal-Gazette, and a dinner attended by professional journalists from the area.

While assigned by the AP to New Mexico, Graves did investigative reporting on the Navajo Reservation and was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in connection with a probe of tribal government. He was also cited in New Mexico for his work in "protecting and promoting freedom of the press and the free flow of information to the general public by the news media."

He has been an AP reporter in Arkansas, Montana and Colorado and for four years was a regional membership executive for the news agency in Oregon.